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HG-CSF FUSION POLYPEPTIDE HAVING C-MPL

ACTIVITY, DNA CODING FOR SAME AND METHODS OF

TREATING ANEMIA USING SAME

**December 23, 2002** 

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

## **AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Office Action dated June 21, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested; the period for response having been extended up to and including Monday, December 23, 2002, by submission of the requisite petition and fee, attached.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, delete the first paragraph and insert the following therefor:

--This is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/765,337, filed

December 23, 1996, abandoned, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

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